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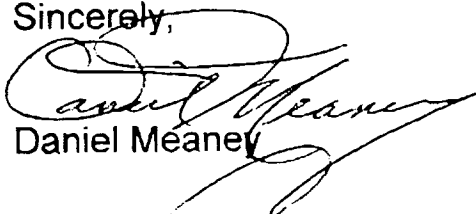
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

This letter is intended to express my views on the proposed settlement that was reached between the Department of Justice and the Microsoft Corporation. I am all in favor of this settlement, and would like to see it approved as soon as possible. There is no reason to continue with litigation against Microsoft, especially if you consider the current state of our economy.

According to the settlement, Microsoft has agreed not to enter into any agreements obligating any third party to distribute or promote and Windows technology exclusively or in a fixed percentage, subject to certain narrow exceptions where no competitive concern is present. They have also agreed not to enter into agreements relating to Windows that obligate and software developer to refrain from developing or promoting software that competes with Windows.

This settlement is great for competition, the IT industry, and the American economy. I fully support the settlement and hope that it is implemented as soon as possible.

Sincerely,


Daniel Meaney